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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1626

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Examiner: Ebenezer O. Sackey

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FOR: SUBSTITUTED ACID DERIVATIVES USEFUL AS ANTIDIABETIC

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

The following remarks are in response to the Final Official Action mailed January 24, 2005.

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